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With the new railroad a certainty and the new county a strong probability Dillon is a city full of promise.

Our old county friends say the new county will be voted down on Dec. 14th., but the fact that they exhausted every means to keep from submitting the question to the voters does not justify their prediction.

Nothing can stand in the way of progress. In less than 20 years an amendment to the constitution will make possible the formation of a new county out of the extreme upper end of Marion and the lower end of Marlboro, with much less than 400 miles of area. By forming a new county out of the upper end of Marion the people are doing only what ought to have been done 10 years ago and after the new county is formed they will awake and exclaim, "Oh, we are just up with the times!"

The movement to form Calhoun was opposed by a wealthy and influential man who lived in the territory of the proposed new county. After Calhoun was formed and they began to build good roads and make other public improvements that ought to have been made by the old county ten years

before, the wealthy and influential citizen went to some of the new county leaders and had the manhood and courage to say that he was wrong and that henceforth and forever he would be an advocate of smaller counties. And this is always the case. Strong men must "see before they believe," but after seeing they are always willing to admit their mistake.

While there is every reason to believe the cotton crop will be the best all over the south, there is ready enough data on hand to establish the fact that upper Marion county will make the largest crop in the memory of the oldest ginners in the state. The 63 ginners on the north side of the Atlantic Line have ginned up to 11,500 bales against 16,102 that were ginned the same period last year and North Pole for the same period for 1908. This end of the county ginned about 20,000 bales annually but there is reason to believe the total production will reach 25,000 this year. There is quite a lot of cotton in the fields yet, but some of the ginners are running on half time while others have closed for the season. The 63rd ginner's report issued Monday at 10 o'clock showed a little more than 7,000,000 bales for the entire season. It is hardly probable that the crop will exceed 11,500,000 bales.

The article published elsewhere many cases issue under the caption of "The Vital Road Development in the South" is a pretty good sign of the outside world has at last reached the wonderful natural sources of the Pee Dee and is reaching out for some of the wealth that has been accumulating here for years. As stated in these columns some months ago, the Pee Dee is the only undeveloped section of South Carolina worth developing and in less than half a score of years the territory between the two Pee Dees will be honeycombed with railroads reaching out to every point of the compass. The extension of the Raleigh & Southport to Charleston is certain, and if the branch

line that has been projected from Lumberton to Brownsville by way of Fairmont is ever completed Dillon will have connection with the three great trunk lines of the south. The Herald has learned from a reliable source that Fairmont is to get a branch of the Raleigh & Southport and that a preliminary survey was made from Fairmont to within six miles of Dillon. Whether the road will ever be extended to Dillon is a question, as it is the rule of railroad builders to act and then talk afterwards, but the fact that a move is on foot to reach Dillon with a branch line of the Raleigh & Southport cannot be doubted. There is no telling what point it will come from and it may never amount to more than a feeder for the Southern, but if it gives Dillon connection with another big trunk line it will be worth the having.

A Near View of the President.

The editor of the Herald was a guest of the Florence Board of Trade at the banquet given in honor of President Taft Monday night. The banquet was given in the large auditorium of the Florence High School and was attended by 200 representative business and professional men from the Pee Dee section. The auditorium was artistically decorated and the President sat at the head of the middle table where it was easy for him to see and to be seen by the 200 guests. The Stars and Stripes were used for decorations and a large portrait of the President was suspended across the rostrum where it was in full view of the guests. Punch and salads were served, followed by the famous "Pee Dee Pine Bark Fish Stew," which is a most delicious and appetizing dish consisting of Pee Dee river perch, highly flavored with pepper and tomato sauce. The President was served first and as soon as the dish was placed in front of him he began to partake of the food with evident relish. The editor of the Herald, in company with Dr. J. H. David, was fortunate enough to be placed in a seat very near the President where he had an opportunity to observe the great man closely without exceeding the rules of decorum and his personal observations of the head of the nation might be of interest to the readers of the Herald. The President is a very large man. His weight is 325 pounds, but despite his avoirdupois he handles himself gracefully. He bears a striking resemblance to Grover Cleveland. His eyes are deep blue and when he is talking to you he looks at you very intently. He appears to be interested in everything said to him and is what might be termed an interesting "listener." He parts his hair squarely in the middle and is becoming slightly bald on the top of his head. Senator Smith sat at his right, Gov. Ansel sat at his left and Judge Woods and Mr. F. L. Willcox occupied seats at the ends of the small table at which he sat. He is not a fluent speaker like his predecessor, Theodore Roosevelt. He stumbles over his words, hesitates, stares vacantly into space until the word he wants comes to his mind and then he shouts it out with a show of vigor. When he smiles he is charming but when he laughs he is simply irresistible. He laughs from the depths of his soul. It is such a good natured laugh that you are compelled to laugh with him. It is not a giggle nor a chuckle; not a big, coarse laugh that can be heard a block away, but just a quiet, good natured, soul stirring laugh so full of sincerity and good-fellowship that it simply overwhelms you. His laugh is famous the world-over. The President is not a great man, but what he lacks in greatness he makes up in goodness. He is a pacifier—a lover of peace—a happy medium between the bold, aggressive, impetuous Roosevelt and the mild-mannered, ultra-conservative McKinley. He will hold the nation intact, but nature has better fitted him to perform the offices of king in a happy and prosperous empire than to execute the duties of president in a republic torn asunder at intervals by two strong political parties struggling for supremacy.

A Corn Shucking.

The men, women, boys and girls of the families living along Maple Swamp and Little Pee Dee, and its regions beyond, are asked to join the members of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church in shucking a lot of corn given them by the charitable minded, at the Prize House, next door to the Tobacco Warehouse, on Friday night, the 19th. of the present month. The plantation bell will ring at early candle light, and the Husking Bee will begin at 7.30 sharp. You will know the place by the sign of the Pumpkin. To the couple first finishing their pile of corn a prize will be given, while he who finds a red ear may claim the forfeit, provided of course, the maiden is willing. In addition to the fun, which doubtless will prove "fast, full and furious," while the husking continues, (we say nothing in the event a red ear is found) a quartette will render old southern melodies so dear to young and old, while hot coffee, ginger cake and pinders will be served to the thirsty and hungry. An old time cake walk will be one of the attractions of the evening. Admission only 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children. Let everybody come: old, young, middle aged, all in your "everyday" clothes, and enjoy an evening of harmless amusement, while contributing to a worthy cause.

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The annual banquet of the Wofford Alumni Association will be given at Mullins, S. C., on the first Saturday in December at 2 o'clock P. M. At the Latta meeting last year it was decided to place an annual assessment of \$1.25 on each member to defray the expenses of the meeting, so each member of the association is requested to send at once the above amount to J. R. Williams, Mullins, S. C., the secretary of the association. Each member is expected to send his dues whether he intends being present or not. Every man in Marion county who has attended Wofford College or Wofford Literary school is a member of the association, and if any member fails to receive an invitation it will be an oversight on the part of the committee, if you do not receive a formal invitation, send on your dues and notify the secretary that you will be present. The meetings of the past have been pleasant occasions and well attended. This should be the best meeting of them all. W. W. Nickels, Pres. J. R. Williams, Sec.

Local Agent Bridges of the Atlantic Coast Line has been notified that fast trains Nos. 82 and 85 will not be stopped at Dillon after Nov. 14th. The reason assigned for the discontinuance of the stops at Dillon is that a new train will be put on between New York, Atlanta and Jacksonville that will take care of the through travel north and south. The new train is scheduled to arrive at Dillon at 8.45 southbound and 8.45 p. m. northbound. Dillon is very well satisfied with her present schedules and will make a protest at the change. A special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce has been called to take some action in the matter and it is probable that resolutions will be passed requesting the Coast Line not to make the change. The trains cannot be taken off without the consent of the Railroad Commissioners.

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